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 Application No.: 10/038642 Group Art Unit: 1772
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 Title: LAMINATES AND PROCESSES FOR MAKING SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 30, 2003. Claims 1-48 are pending. Claims 1-48 were restricted under 35 USC § 121 as follows:

I. Claims 1-22 and 46-48 are said to be drawn to a laminate and a kit for a laminate, classified in class 428, subclass 136; and

II. Claims 23-45 are said to be drawn to a method for making a laminate, classified in class 156, subclass 60.

Election

In response, Applicants elect Group I (claims 1-22 and 46-48) without traverse.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the indicated telephone number with questions that can be resolved with a simple teleconference.

Respectfully submitted,

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